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DELEGATES ARE KEEN FOR A VOTE TO TEST STRENGTH OFRIVALS

Republicans Disposed to Proceed to a Nomination, Regardless of Bull Moose Program.

GROWING BELIEF ROOSEVELT WILL HAVE TO TAKE HUGHES

Hopes of "Favorite Sons" Stiffened as Result of "Peace" Conference-Root Supporters Cheered by Talk With George B. Cortelyou, Colonel's Representative.

By N. O. MESSENGER.

CHICAGO, June 9.-Welcoming opportunity for an actual test of strength of the favorite sons, allies and suggested candidates, the delegates to the regular republican convention assembled today eager o get the nominating speeches made and proceed to a ballot.

"Now for a showdown" was the cry, as they settled in their seats, prepared to undergo with Christian fortitude the weary routine of the perfunctory speeches of the nominators and hoping they would he brief. The delegates were at high tension, as they realized that at least they were approaching the point when claims and boasts must give way to figures that do not lie.

REAL BATTLE AFTER FIRST BALLOT.

After the first ballot, which will be more or less delusive, it will be a case of "producing the goods." The time for bluffing has passed. Compliments vanish into thin air. Friendship ceases, as the contending forces go to the mat. It is now a fight for blood.

The outcome of the night conference between the progressives and regular committees was satisfactory, as it was realized that it progressive convention, arrived could hardly have resulted differently. Satisfaction was general there was not a leader on the over the spirit of good nture and friendliness which characterized the platform and there were only a conference. It was found that the two wings of the party are prac- few hundred people in the hall. tically in harmony upon principles and only a choice of personalities There was little enthusiasm

DEPENDS ON ROOSEVELT'S ATTITUDE.

Whether that difference will be carried into the final reckoning, no leader on either side would predict this morning. Much will de- who were attempting to proceed pend on the future course of Col. Roosevelt and his attitude toward in a deliberate manner, realized the candidate named by the regulars.

The disposition of the regulars as they gathered in the hall this them and that Chairman Robins morning was to pay no further heed to the progressive convention, task was far from easy. but to attend to their own knitting-to proceed with a process of . trying out their candidates, in an effort to pick the best man havi in view, however, the favor or disfavor of the colonel toward them. The regular republicans differentiate sharply between the colonel lots of matches around adequately himself, his supporters, such as James R .Garfield and George W. described the situation today. The Au-Perkins, and the gathering of zealots who make up the rank and ditorium was filled with powder, sure file of the progressive convention.

to your attention."

The letter is signed by Ferd Walther, as chairman of the German-American Alliance of Chicago, and by Dr. H. C.

Gerhardt, as chairman of the "pol cal committee" of that organization

Expect T. R. to Decline.

Leaders among the regulars brought

to their associates today the statement

that in their opinion it would be well

to proceed with the selection of candi-

date without reference to any action

The opinion of close observers among

the regular republicans who have been

in constant touch with the progressive

leaders is that the bull moose party o

1912 is dead. As a potent influence in

the politics of the country it has ceased

They claim that the machinery operat-

back into the republican party, and they

believe that object will be accomplished,

notwithstanding the confusion and doubt of the moment. The plans were laid last January by Mr. Perkins and his asso-ciates, and there is confidence in their ultimate achievement.

Hughes Forecast Stands.

of the joint peace conference and

recognized leader of the regulars, was

asked this morning: "Is there any rea-

"There is not," he replied, emphati-

His opinion is shared by a number

of other regulars of national reputa-

tion and of influence in the party

nation of Mr. Justice Hughes?

councils.

Senator Smoot, one of the members

Overnight there has been a marked language of the campaigns of the fillinois, we protest against the nomination of Theodore Roosevelt or Elihu Root for President of the United States tiffening up of the campaigns of the favorite sons. Weeks, Sherman, Fairbanks and Root managers all claimed recruits. The Root men were very much set up this morning after George B. Cortelyou, the colonel's personal envoy, had talked for half an hour a er. All these favorite sons have their lightning hods set up to receive the colonel's favor should the lightning strike their way.

The Hughes men, as the day opens, take during the day or threatened for are absolutely confident that all asa future occasion. They said the regupects of the situation are favorable to the nomination of the justice on an lars should not be dismayed if the bull moose convention should nominate Col. early ballot either tonight or, after a Roosevelt as a third-party candidate recess, tomorrow. They insist that nothing but the colonel's absolute re- for, in their opinion, the probabilities fusal to sanction Mr. Hughe's nomination can stop it now. And they cannot for the life of them see how the colonel could justify such action.

The Hughes supporters say that the failure of the conference committee to agree upon a joint candidate leaves the field open to but two men, Hughes and Roosevelt. The nomination of the colonel by regulars is admitted, even by the progressives, to be out of the

Willing to Bisk Bolt.

They believe that a majority of the individuals of the progressive convention, omitting the radical leadership, Mr. Hughes. They have reached the point where they are willing to face the necessity, if forced upon them, of writing off the books as a bad debt the radical element of the progressives,

Such republican leaders as Senator Smoot and W. Murray Crane are of opinion that the part of wisdom is to proceed along, after a complimentary Mr. Justice Hughes. Every favorite son column of strength is permeated with delegates ready to turn to Mr. Hughes and some will not wait to be released, but will swing on the second ballot. This, then, is the situation, as the convention meets this morning, subject, of sourse, to modification of unforeseen developments at Oyster Bay and a declaration by the colonel.

Letters Stir Indignation.

Indignation is expressed this morning by delegates who have received copies of letters sent out by German-American Alliance protesting against the nomination of Roosevelt or Root. The organization, it will be recalled, met in Chicago last week for the purpose of bringing pressure to bear on the convention. The letter sent to each delegate and alternate reads:

In contravention of this view is the attitude of the allies and favorite sons iteaders, which this morning is more defiant than ever. They were in conference the greater part of the night, and now claim that Mr. Hughes' utmost strength on the second ballot will be 150 short of majority. It is well known, however, that they are basing their hope, which lacks a foundation of confidence, upon expected eleventh-hour indence, upon expected eleventh-hour indence, upon expected eleventh-hour indence in the contravention of this view is the attitude of the allies and favorite sons iteaders, which this morning is more defiant than ever. They were in conference the greater part of the night, and now claim that Mr. Hughes' utmost strength on the second ballot will be 150 short of majority. It is well known, however, that they are basing their hope, which lacks a foundation of confidence, upon expected eleventh-hour in-

MOOSE RADICALS **CLAMOR TO NAME COLONEL AT ONCE** Conservatives Cannot Re-

strain Them Once Republicans Begin Balloting.

ROOSEVELT SHOUTERS GET BEYOND CONTROL

Their Propensity to Yell Is Used to Stave Off a Premature Nomination.

CONFEREES SUBMIT REPORT

P. Convention Representatives Had Proposed No One as Counter Choice.

AUDITORIUM HALL, Chicago, by the actions of the republicans to the Auditorium stage by a progressive representative at the Coliseum, so that the progressive lead-

can convention gave no signs of nomination by the republicans ap-

AUDITORIUM HALL, Chicago, June 9.-When 10 o'clock, the hour for reconvening the among the arriving delegates, although a band playing patriotic

The officers of the convention that their work was cut out for

Conservatives Spar for Time.

enough, and conservatives could only hope that no spark would light among the explosives.

From a parliamentary point of view the convention officers had the advantage in their contest with obstreperous delegates, who would rush madly into naking a nomination of Col. Roosevelt Before adjournment yesterday the platform report was placed before the con by Dean William Draper Lewis of the University of Pennsylvania chairman of the resolutions commit tee, and it was made the unfinished

Those who were seeking delay to give the peace conference committees as much time as they desired in their efforts to get together with the republicans, looked eagerly for a Roosevelt demonstration. They were prepared when it came to keep it going as long as possible.

Loeb and McGrath Active.

for, in their opinion, the probabilities are that the colonel would not accept the nomination.

They contended that if Mr. Hughes were nominated the colonel would withhold action upon a bull moose nomination of himself until Mr. Hughes should announce his views upon questions dear to the heart of the colonel, and were convinced that the colonel would find it possible to support the nominee of the regular convention. Col. Roosevelt's secretary, John W the White House, William Loeb, jr. were on the convention platform about one minute at 11:05 a.m. They whisper ed to a few leaders and retired. Mr. Loeb said, "We hope to keep the con-vention from doing anything foolish." He declined to interpret the word

"foolish."

McGrath and Loeb, after retiring from the rostrum are understood to have taken positions in an anteroom, equipped with a long distance telephone, connected with Oyster Bay. Frequently they came back to the plat-(Continued on Fifth Page.) -

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airs did its best to liven things up. Russians Now Hold More Than 60,000 Prisoners --- London Paper Places Teuton Casualties at 200,000.

> Slavs Follow Up Recent Successes With Others --- Number of Powerful Enemy Organized Positions on Lower Stripa Are Seized.

> LONDON, June 9, 2:32 p.m.-Information has reached the Russian embassy in Rome that the Austrian front has been completely broken along a length of ninety-four miles to a depth of thirtyseven and one-half miles, according to a Central News dispatch today from the Italian capital.

> The Russian advance, according to these advices, now threatens to envelop the entire Austrian army in the region affected, the Ausrians finding themselves attacked from both the east and north.

Austrian Slav regiments are declared to have been seized by panic during the first attacks by the Russians and to have surrendered without any real resistance.

Russians are following up their recent successes and scoring others against the Austrians, according to latest official advices. In addition to the capture of Lutsk, 25,000 more prisoners in Galicia, bringing the total well up to more than 65,000 in ten days' fighing. Large amounts of war material also have been taken. One London paper estimates total Austrian losses at 200,000.

A Reuter dispatch from Petrograd today reports the continuation of the Russian successes in Volhynia and Galicia. The capture this afternoon, after an illness of of 185 officers and 13,714 men, in addition to the 11,000 officially announced from Petrograd, is reported.

The latest Russian communication

"On Tuesday we developed our offensive in the direction of Rovno and Kovel, and, keeping on the heels of the overthrown enemy, and following a battle in the region of Lutsk, we occupied that town. In many places we

cupied that town. In many places we have seized not only the lines of the rivers Ikwa and Styr, but have crossed them and continued our offensive.

"In Galicia, on the lower Stripa, our infantry, supported by artillery, fire, captured by an energetic advance a number of powerful enemy organized positions on the front of Trziboukhovtsky-Jazlovetz, and have arrived quite near the line of the Stripa river.

"In addition to the 40,000 prisoners previously taken, we took in the course of yesterday's fighting 58 officers and about 11,000 men, and captured a number of guns and machine guns, a quantity of other weapons, field kitchens and telephone material.

Deemed Important Victory.

"The results of the engagements from the fourth to the seventh in Volhynia and Galicia permit us to conmportant victory, which is crowned by

peated German attempts to advance in the region south of Smorgon were frus-trated by our fire. South of Krevo the enemy artillery fired gusts on our posi-tions."

Successes Believed Important. Special dispatches from Petrograd express the belief that the Russian suc

cesses against the Austrians are far official announcements. The Daily Telegraph's correspondent ventures the assertion on the authority of a prominent Rüsssian expert that "all five Austrian armies are on the eve of a general retreat, and that Lemberg is in great strategic danger. On the same authority it is asserted hat "a strategic breach 100 miles wide has been blown in the Austrian front involving the armies of Gen. Count von Bothmer and Gen. von Boehm-Ermolli and part of that of Archduke Joseph Ferdinand."

Great Weight of Artillery.

According to other dispatches the Russian success is largely due to the unprecedented use of artillery, surpasssider that we have already gained an ing in intensity any previous efforts on important victory, which is crowned by a great breach in the enemy's fortified front.

"On the Dvina front and in the lake region south of Dvinsk there have been violent Fussilades at m.ny places. The Germans have bombarded by a concentrated fire the Ikskull bridgehead. Re-

"OUR FLAG IN MEXICO"—A STORY OF BRAVE DEEDS.

Again Old Glory waves over Mexican soil, as it has done more than once before. Read the account of the other times, replete with valor and adventure, in The Sunday Star.

JOHN R. M'LEAN DIES

Publisher of Washington Post and Cincinnati Enquirer III Two Months.



JOHN R. McLEAN.

John R. McLean, publisher of the Washington Post and Cincinnati Enquirer, died at his home, Friendship, at 2:50 o'clock two months? duration. His physicians ascribed his death as due to a complication of diseases.

His son, Edward, B. McLean, and the following doctors were at his bedside: Hyatt, Haire, Da Costa, Finney, Clayton, Parker, Spencer, Owen and Hume.

Native of Cincinnati.

John Roll McLean, one of the most the country, personal friend of many rulers in Europe, whose railroad, mining and real estate interests make his wealth almost incalculable, was born

In his younger days he won wide reputation as an athlete, and his reliability as a hitter and his fleetness of foot were responsible for his being a continued on Twentieth Page.)

Was another when he declared the nation should always be "prepared and proud to fight."

There was a demonstration when

HUGHES' NAME FIRST TO BE LAID BEFORE DELEGATES OF G.O.P.

Arizona Yields to New York and Gov. Whitman Places the Justice in Nomination.

FIRST BALLOT BY 4 O'CLOCK, CHAIRMAN HARDING PREDICTS

No Time Is Lost, When Convention Assembles for Its Third Session, in Getting Down to the Real Work in Hand.

"PEACE" CONFEREES AGREED ON A DESIRE FOR HARMONY

CONVENTION HALL, CHICAGO, June 9.- Members of the republican "peace" committee, appointed to confer last night with a like committee from the progressives, submitted to the convention today the following report:

"Your committee, appointed pursuant to the resolution adopted at yesterday's session, met in conference with a committee representing the national progressive convention last evening. The progressive committee of conference consisted of Messrs. Perkns of New York, Johnson of California, Bonaparte of Maryland, Wilkinson of New York and Parker of

"The conference was frank, free and most friendly. The conferees were of one mind, believing that the good of the country, and perhaps its repute and influence for years to come, depends upon the complete defeat of the present democratic administration and the restoration of the control of the executive and legislative branches of the government to the hands of those who firmly believe in and will execute the policies that are so heartily supported by the republican and the progressive

"The progressive conferees were unanimous in urging with temperateness and fairness the opinion that Theodore Roosevelt of New York had so large a personal following and such a close personal relation to the issues of the coming campaign as to make him the most desirable candidate upon which to unite.

"It was agreed that your conferees would report these

facts to this convention.
"Respectfully submitted,

"REED SMOOT, W. MURRAY CRANE, W. E. BORAH,

"NICHOLAS MURRAY BUTLER,
"A. R. JOHNSON."

CONVENTION HALL, Chicago, June 9.—The third, and what may prove the decisive, day of the republican national convention, was called to order at 11:17 a.m. by Chairman Harding.

The delegates stood while Bishop William F. McDowell offered Nominating speeches for candidates were the order of the day.

Nomination of Justice Hughes by Gov. Whitman came first, Arizona having yielded to New York. Just prior to calling the convention to order Senator Harding

said the regular procedure would be followed and that balloting would be reached by at least 4 o'clock this afternoon "The first business of the day," said the chairman, "will be the

presentation of the names of candidates, followed by seconding speeches. I think we ought to get to balloting by 4 o'clock, but I can't guarantee that."

It was announced that Col. Roosevelt would be placed in nomination in the republican convention by Senator Fall of New Mexico.

At the mention of koosevelt's name there was moderate applause, rising in volume, but chiefly participated in by volume, but chiefly participated in by the galleries. It lasted about three

Call for Nominating Speeches The roll of states was called for

nominating speeches and Alabama and Alaska passed. Arizona yielded to New York. An Arizona member challenged the yielding and the delegawealth almost incalculable, was born in Cincinnati, September 17, 1848.

Since the early 70s he has been one of the most conspicuous figures in the newspaper field in the United States. Since 1885 he has been a resident of Washington and has been identified with finance, public utilities, politics and philanthropy.

His beautiful country estate, Friendship, has been one of the suburban beauty spots of the National Capital, where every year a spectacular society fete for charity has been conducted. The city home at 1500 I street is one of the finest in Washington. It is, in fact, a shell of masonry built around a historic home, whose interior decorations are art treasures from all countries of the world. This home was, previous to the death of Mrs. McDean several years ago, a center of great social activity.

Mr. McLean was educated in the public and private schools of Cincinnati, at Harvard and in Germany, where he became a good German scholar. By later residence in France he also learned to speak French fluently.

Had Reputation as Athlete. tion was polled. All voted "Aye."

in his heart or in his nature. The repub-lican party is full of them." The convention greeted that with an outburst of hand clapping and there

Following the prayer Senator Smoot, Gov. Whitman mentioned the name of the republican "peace" William Howard Taft. The delegates chairman of the republican "peace" ommittee appointed to confer with a like committee from the progressives, submitted the conference report.

The conference committee's report was received with great enthusiasm. Taft lasted six minutes.

Leaders Keep Up Cheers.

When it showed signs of dying away the cheer leaders started it up again,

the galleries. It listed about three minutes.

The announcement that the conference was "frank, free and friendly," was applauded.

When Mr. Smoot came to the announcement that the progressives had urged that Col. Roosevelt had the attributes of "the most desirable candidate upon which to unite" there were applause and cheers and some hisses.

Chairman Harding stated that the conference committee would be continued and then announced the roll call of states for nominations was in order. was more applause. Apparently one-half the delegates joined in the demon-stration.

Springs Name of Hughes.

Gov. Whitman concluded at 12:11 with the words "The great state of New York, through the lips of its governor, offers to the people of the party, to the vo ers of the party no, not only to them, but to the great nation—her son, her noblest and her best. "I nominate as the republican candi-date for President of the United States

Charles Evans Hughes of New York." The convention broke into an uproas The Hughes men in the New York delegation led the cheering.

Galleries Join in Applause.

The other delegates from the "fakept their seats. The cheers and foor and in the gallerie

Part of New York's delegation re-mained seated, and only a half dozen Pennsylvanians rose. The band played patriotic airs, but could harely be heard above the dia. The Oregon delegation began a march around the room, followed by a large fraction of New York, Michigan, Mississippi and Vermont. A. G. O. P. elephant on rollers was carried down the ables and taken to the